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SUBJECT: FOURTH COMMITTEE: UK STATEMENT OF SOUTHERN RHODESIA,

OCTOBER 15

1. FOURTH COMMITTEE BEGAN DISCUSSION OF SOUTHERN RHODESIAN ITEM OCTOBER 15 WITH INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE OF 24 REPORT BY THAT COMMITTEE'S RAPPORTEUR ARTEAGA (VENEZUELA). UK PERM REP RICHARD THEN SPOKE, AS REPRESENTATIVE OF ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY. RICHARD NOTED THAT RESTRAINTS IMPOSED BY EXISTING SITUATION IN RHODESIA ARE SUCH THAT HMG'S LEGAL POWER CANNOT BE EXERCISED. LITTLE REAL PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN TALKS BETWEEN SMITH REGIME AND ANC. IN JUNE, ANC HAD DEMANDED AT LEAST IMMEDIATE PARITY OF REPRESENTATION IN PARLIAMENT, WHICH WAS NOT ACCEPTED BY SMITH, WHO

THEN ADDED INSULT TO INJURY BY DETAINING ANC OFFICIAL EDISON SITHOLE.

ANC HAD REJECTED SMITH'S PROPOSAL FOR CONSTITUTIONAL ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE, WHICH FORMULA, RICHARD ADDED, WOULD NOT MEET BRITISH UNCLASSIFIED

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GOVERNMENT'S REQUIREMENTS EITHER. FURTHER, RECENT

ELECTIONS IN RHODESIA CONTRIBUTED NOTHING TO SETTLEMENT.

- 2. RICHARD SAID HE WOULD LEAVE VIEWS OF ZANU AND ZAPU
 TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THOSE GROUPS, RATHER THAN COMMENTING
 ON THEM. WHILE OBSERVING THAT SMITH'S ACTIVITIES IN FILED
 OF INTERNATL SECURITY BEAR WITNESS TO SALISBURY'S CONCERN OVER
 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS, HE DOCUMENTED PROGRESS BEING MADE BY RHODESIAN
 ECONOMY. IMMIGRATION RATES, HOWEVER, HAVE TAPERED OFF. REAL
 NEED EXISTS TO ENFORECE SANCTIONS MORE VIGOROUSLY, PARTICULARLY
 BY THOSE UN MEMBERS WHO CLAIM THEY ARE DOING SO BUT, IN FACT,
 ARE NOT. SOUTH AFRICA SHOULD ENFORCE SANCTIONS AGAINST
 RHODESIA.
- 3. BRITISH PROPOSAL OF 1971 NO LONGER ARE ON THE TABLE. CONVOKING TYPE OF CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE WHICH OAU AND UK FAVOR WOULD REQUIRE REDINESS TO ATTEND BY ALL CONCERNED AND SOME REASONABLE PROSPECT OF SUCCESS. CHANCES ARE, HOWEVER, THAT MAJORITY OF EUROPEANS IN RHODESIA DO NOT YET RECOGNIZE ISOLATION OF THEIR POSITION OR EXTENT OF CONCESSIONS REQUIRED.
- 4. CANAAN BANANA OF ANC ALSO SPOKE CRITICIZING "NEBULOUS ROLE" OF UK. HE REJECTED RICHARDS INTERPRETATION THAT ANC WAS PREPARED TO ACCEPT EQUAL REPRESENTATION IN RHODESIAN PARLIAMENT. HE PROPOSED INTER ALIA FOLLOWING: UN SHOULD TAKE FIRMER STAND AGAINST SANCTIONS VIOLATIONS; UN SHOULD INVOKE MEASURES UNDER CHAPTER VII OF CHARTER; UN SHOULD CALL ON US TO SEIZE RHODESIAN CHROME IMPORTS; SECURITY COUNCIL SHOULD END SOUTH AFRICAN MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN RHODESIA; UN SHOULD REQUIRE NATO TO CEASE MILITARY AID SENT TO SOUTHERN THODESIA THROUGH SOUTH AFRICA; AND UK SHOULD IMPLEMENT GA RESOLUTION 1514 . RAMBLING STATEMENT BY REV. MICHAEL SCOTT (INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR RIGHTS OF MAN) COMPLETED DAY'S DELIBERATIONS ON ITEM. 5. RICHARD TEXT BEING POUCHED IO/UNP. SCALI

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